

## **Feed the Future Country Fact Sheet**

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## New Private Sector-Focused Program to Help U.S., ASEAN Deepen Food Security Cooperation

Building on the strong support for the <u>Association of Southeast Asian Nations</u> (ASEAN) that President Obama reaffirmed at the ASEAN-United States Leaders Meeting in November, Feed the Future is launching a new program to help strengthen the regional organization's ability to ensure food security for its 600 million citizens.

The program's new focus on the private sector follows on the first-ever formal dialogue between ASEAN agriculture ministers and agribusinesses at the November meeting. USAID will manage the three-year project, called Maximizing Agricultural Revenue through Knowledge, Enterprise Development, and Trade, or MARKET.

This project will promote the role of the private sector and public-private dialogue on food security policies and solutions. It also aims to strengthen food-related trade efficiency and information technology systems within ASEAN member states.

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